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PHONE: 503-595-5300 FAX: 503-595-5301**Reply under 37 CFR §1.116 - Expedited Procedure - Technology Center 1600****PLEASE DELIVER PROMPTLY TO EXAMINER LEI YAO, PH.D.****Fax No.:** (571) 273-8300**Total No. Pages:** 10 including this cover sheet**In re application of:** Hunter *et al.***Application No.:** 10/648,631**Filed:** August 25, 2003**Confirmation No.:** 5328**For:** NIMA INTERACTING PROTEINS**Examiner:** Lei Yao, Ph.D.**Art Unit:** 1642**Attorney Reference No.:** 7158-71253-10**CERTIFICATE OF FACSIMILE**

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ALEXANDRIA, VA 22313-1450**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

This Amendment and Response to Final Office Action ("Amendment") is filed in response to the final Office action, dated January 3, 2006 ("Office Action"). A three-month period for reply was set in the Office action; however, a reply filed within two months of the mailing date of the Office action receives the potential benefit described on page 8 of the Office Action. A timely response within two months is made on or before March 3, 2006. It is believed that no fees are required in connection with this filing; however, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees that may be required to the deposit account referenced on the accompanying transmittal letter.

Please amend the claims as set forth beginning on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this Amendment and conclude on page 9.